PATENT APPLICATION



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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In re the Application of

Norikazu NIMI

Group Art Unit: 1742

Application No.: 10/728,956

Examiner:

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For:

SINTERED BODIES OF YTTRIUM-ALUMINUM GARNET, A METHOD OF PRODUCING

THE SAME AND SINTERING AID THEREFOR

LARGE ENTITY PETITION FOR 1st - 3rd EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a) AND TRANSMITTAL OF FEE UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.17

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